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SUBJECT: SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PREMIER ATTACKS PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM

1. ALL REPORTING MEDIA DECEMBER 13 CARRY STORIES DETAILING PUBLIC STATEMENT ISSUED BY SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PREMIER DON DUNSTAN IN WHICH HE ACCUSES PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM PERSONALLY OF AVOIDING DISCUSSION WITH STATE OFFICIALS CONCERNING NATIONAL PLANS TO FIGHT INFLATION.

2. DUNSTAN PARTICULARLY EMPHASIZED "COMMUNICATIONS BREAK-DOWN"

BETWEEN FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS BUT ALSO WITHIN THE AUSTRALIA LABOR PARTY ITSELF.

3. NEWSPAPERS ATTRIBUTE DUNSTAN'S DISILLUSIONMENT AND DIFFERENCES WITH WHITLAM TO FAILURE OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PROTECT SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BASED MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY IN RESTRUCTURING TARIFF POLICIES. CONGEN OFFICERS NOTE DUNSTAN ATTACK INSPIRED ALSO BY FEDERAL INTERFERENCE IN REDCLIFFS PETROCHEMICAL PROJECT AND FEILURE TO CONTINUE PROTECTION TO SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINE INDUSTRY.

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4. COMMENT: DUNSTAN ATTACK WAS FORESHADOWED IN PRIVATE
DISCUSSIONS ON DECEMBER 3 IN ADELAIDE BETWEEN CONGEN, LABATT
AND S.S. PREMIER (DETAILS CONTAINED IN MEMCON AIR POUCHED
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